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CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. §371

U.S. APPLICATION NO.

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International Application No.
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Priority Date Claimed

Title of Invention
FLUIDIZED-BED GASIFICATION AND COMBUSTION FURNACEApplicant(s) For DO/EO/US
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371.
2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371.
3. This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. §371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. §371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2))
 - a. is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. has been transmitted by the International Bureau. ATTACHMENT A
 - c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6. A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2)). ATTACHMENT B
7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(3)).
 - a. are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. have not been made and will not be made.
8. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(4)).
9. A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(5)). ATTACHMENT C - (Please enter Article 34 Amendments before entering Preliminary Amendment of Attachment E)

Items 10. to 13. below concern other document(s) or information included:

10. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. ATTACHMENT D
11. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
12. A **FIRST** preliminary amendment. ATTACHMENT E (Please enter Article 34 Amendments (Attachment C) before entering Preliminary Amendment)

A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
13. Other items or information:
 - unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney with Cover Letter - ATTACHMENT F

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BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):		PTO USE ONLY	
<input type="checkbox"/> Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO..... \$840.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO..... \$970.00			
ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =		\$ 840.00	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).		\$	
Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate
Total Claims	39 - 20 =	19	X \$18.00 \$ 342.00
Independent Claims	8 - 3 =	5	X \$78.00 \$ 390.00
Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)		+ \$260.00	\$
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =		\$1,572.00	
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TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =		\$1,572.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property +		\$	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =		\$1,572.00	
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a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of <u>\$1,572.00</u> to cover the above fees is enclosed. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-0975 in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>23-0975</u> .			
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COVER LETTER FOR APPLICATION FILED
WITHOUT EXECUTED DECLARATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The above-identified application has been submitted without an executed oath or declaration.

It is respectfully requested that this application be assigned a serial number and awarded a filing date.

A duly executed oath or declaration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63 will be submitted after notification by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

A non-executed copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney, containing the inventorship information, is attached. It is respectfully requested that all communications be directed to the firm indicated on the attached Declaration and Power of Attorney, namely:

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The required U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Filing Fee is submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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